

**Amendment**  
**U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/810,452**

In the Specification:

Please replace the paragraph beginning on page 1, line 2 with the following paragraph:

--This application is a continuation application of U.S. Patent Application No. 08/950,158, entitled "Improved User Data Protocol for Internet Data Communications", filed October 14, 1997, now U.S. Patent No. 6,233,248. The disclosure of the foregoing patent application is incorporated herein by reference in its entirety.--